



Macomb County 4-H Fair Committee Newsletter

Armada Fair

August 15 - 20, 2006

4-H COMMITTEES WORKING ON FAIR

Although fair time is not until August, 4-H Committees & Macomb MSU-Extension have been very busy working on recommendations for the fair book and selecting 4-H Fair Superintendents. Your club should be sending adult and teen representatives to the appropriate 4-H program committee meetings. The committee meetings are scheduled on the following days of the month.

Horse: 4th Monday @ 7:00

Livestock: 2nd Thursday @ 7:00

Horticulture: 2nd Tuesday @ 6:30

Comp. Animals: 1st Thurs. @ 6:30

Out. Ed and Rec: 2nd Mon @ 7:00

Com. & Exp. Arts: 2nd Wed. @ 6:30

Livestock Sale: 4th Mon. @ 7:00

Contact MSUE office for locations, since these occasionally vary.

The 4-H Fair Superintendents are as follows:

Beef - Carl Myer

Dairy—Mark Falker

Sheep—Marie Marcatch

Goats-Jean & Kathleen Bingham

Swine-Earl Proctor

Horses-Rita Faulk /Mike DeFour

Rabbits—Kathy Matthews/ Lyle Ballard

Poultry-Jill Senyk/Patty Baert

Pocket Pets-Kathy Mathews/Lyle Ballard

Dogs-Lori Riggs/Paula Martin

Educational & Vet Science—Nancy Duemling/NEED

Floriculture/Horticulture-Michael Cobbett/Cathy Cooper

Natural Resources-Bette Nebel

Family-Lucy Cooper

Folk Patterns-Lucy Cooper

Food Preparation-Jean Bingham/Val Cusumano

Personal Appearance-Marilyn Bohm/NEED

Creative Stitchery-Marilyn Bohm/Pat Fons

Creative Arts-Judy Makowski, Sharon Knust/NEED

Artists-Cynthia Chornia/Alayne Waterstraat

Industrial Arts-Herman Houin

Additional Projects-Chris Tibbits/NEED

Shooting Sports/Rocketry-Gary Jenuwine

Photography - Cathy Cooper/

NEED

4-H Exhibit Blg Club Display-Jim Kaltz

4-H Exhibit Blg –Grand Best-Nancy Davis

Petting Farm-Cheryl Donovan.

4-H Exhibit Building-NEED 2

4-H Court-Stephanie Goike/Mary Goike/Katie Laudicina

Cloversprouts-Paul Gianferara

MI State Fair Gold Ribbon - MSU-E

4-H Day Chairpersons-NEED

If you are interested in any of the positions marked “NEED”, please contact Christine Miller at Macomb MSU-Extension 586-469-6431.

Clubs should be sending at least 1 adult or teen to Fair Committee meetings

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Special points of interest:

- Community Service Opportunities at Armada Fair Clean ups, Set-ups and Tear downs.
- Clubs expected to help monitor at barns/buildings during fair and do demonstrations.
- Judges appreciate good sportsmanship by participants, parents, families, and 4-H leaders.

Fair Committee Chairs:

Cathy Cooper, Co-Chair
586-254-3268
Denise Lotan, Co-Chair
586-781-7081

Fair Reporters:

Hayley Waterstraatt
Julie Brickel

Next Fair Committee Meeting:

Monday, April 3 at 6 PM
Ray Twp. Hall

4-H PROGRAM COMMITTEE WORKSHOPS

In case you didn't know, projects done at a Macomb County 4-H Workshops, can be entered in the fair under 4-H. Youth attending any of the county's clinics/workshops (K-9 Karnival, Craft, Livestock, Horticulture), should enter that project on their 4-H fair entry form. Also if youth who attend any other

4-H event, such as Exploration Days, Kettunen Center events, can enter those projects under 4-H at fair. If you have any questions, regarding a potential 4-H fair entry, contact the 4-H Superintendent listed above. Remember to make an index card or

write in your record book the information on what you did at the clinic, as a reminder when you are in front of the judge at fair.

Visit www.macombcountymi.gov/msuextension
for 4-H Fair Committee minutes

UPCOMING 4-H FAIR EVENTS

Non-Livestock Participation Forms due by 5/1/06 to MSU-E.

Pork Quality Assurance: Training is scheduled for Wed., May 3, 2006 at Armada High School Library @ 7:00PM

Armada Fair Grounds Clean up Saturday, May 20 (10 AM to 4 PM) & Sunday, May 21 (Noon to 4 PM). These hours can count towards community service

hours to receive scholarships for Expo Days or other 4-H events.

Pickup fair books, entry forms and other fair related information May 20 & May 21 at 4-H Exhibit building.

Market Lamb, Swine & Goat Tagging 1st Sunday in June (Noon to 2 PM) at Armada Fair Grounds.

Rabbit Tattooing & Poultry banding 3rd Sunday in July (Noon to 2 PM) at Armada

Fair Grounds.

Projects for Departments K thru X X and all record books will be judged Sunday, August 13.

4-H Livestock Sale on Friday, August 18 (Swine, Beef, Sheep, Market Goats, Grand Reserve & Reserve Poultry & Meat Rabbits) .

Reminder - all market animals have to follow Livestock Sale rules.

ARMADA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

New website www.armadafair.org Fair book will be available online after May 1, 2006

Memberships can be purchased at Fair Office. Purchasing a membership provides some admission tickets & eligibility to run for Armada Agricultural Society Fair Board. The Fair Board runs the fairgrounds, as such, 4-H is a guest at fair.

All animals must meet state movement & health requirements. An animal coming from out of state will need a health certificate. All cattle need a moving certificate if they will be moving from 1 zone to another. Contact Mich. Dept of Ag with any questions. 1-888-565-8626.

All goats and sheep will need U.S. official scrapie tag to come on fairgrounds. Contact USDA 517-324-5290 for tags. Will need before weigh-in & tagging days at fair grounds. Check MDA's website.

Main Music Entertainment moved to Friday of Fair week - "Little Big Town"

Looking for trophy sponsors. Contact Fair Superintendent for more info.

FAIR SUPERINTENDENTS :
Liaison - BLotan/CTrott

Livestock Sale-CTrott/BLotan/

FReygaert/DMarcath

Beef-K&MRayman

Dairy Cattle-MRayman/MBohm

Dogs-BLotan/JEckhout

Exhibits-KWest/BLotan

Goats-BLotan/BSchapman

Horses-FReygaert/TCorey

Poultry-JEckhout/MRayman/BLotan

Rabbits-DMarcath/JEckhout/KWest

Sheep-BLotan/BSchapman

Swine-DMarcath/BSchapman

UPCOMING CHANGES FOR FAIR

4-H Fair Superintendents will be selecting their own teen clerks this year. Sign up at the Fair Clean up in May to be part of the pool of teen clerks. Teens will not be able to sign up as clerks on judging day.

Unused fair tags will need to

be turned into booth at fair on Sunday, August 13.

New Class - Lamb Carcass

Dog Project Book on county

website.

New—Silent Auction for meat poultry & meat rabbits

THIS YEAR'S ARMADA FAIR 4-H THEME:

"4-H Lights the Way to Reach for the Stars"

Thank you to all that submitted suggestions.

All Club displays need to follow theme.



I pledge my head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service, for my health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

The purpose of 4-H Youth participation in a fair are to:

- A. Provide positive incentives for youth to complete educational projects and learning experiences.
- B. Recognize youth accomplishments.
- C. Offer evaluation.
- D. Use the fair itself as an added experience for youth to have fun, develop friendships and learn new things
- E. Experience competition with peers and learn to handle the winning and losing situations that competitions brings.

Thank you to Haley & Julie who will be reporters for the 4-H Fair Committee. They will be sending in articles to the Armada Times and The Voice. We still need teens to help with news articles for the Family Notes, Macomb Daily, The Romeo Observer, The Source, The Advisor, Grosse Pointe News. Contact Denise Lotan for further information on these new position.

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